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SUBJECT STATISTICS OF VIETNAM AND CAMBODIAN REFUGEES PRESENTLY
IN TAIWAN

REF TALCON ANTIPPAS/VONBRIESEN AUGUST 1

1. SEVENTY-NINE INDOCHINESE REFUGEES NOW IN TAIWAN APPEAR ELIGIBLE
FOR PAROLE UNDER GUIDELINES OF STAT 133652. THEY ARE AWAITING
VISAS FALCON CLEARANCES OR TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS. (THIS DOES
NOT INCLUDE FOURTEEN REFUGEES DEPARTING SUNDAY, AUGUST 3.)

2. TWENTY-NINE OTHER REFUGEES NOW IN TAIWAN WILL APPARENTLY
BECOME ELIGIBLE UNDER EXPANDED GUIDELINES OUTLINED IN STATE
167777. VISAS FALCON CLEARANCES HAVE BEEN INITIATED FOR ALL OF
THEM.

3. TWELVE DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL WITH THIRTY DEPENDENTS (TOTAL
FORTY-TWO). THESE DO NOT APPEAR TO QUALIFY AS THEY WILL NOT
BE FORCED TO LEAVE TAIWAN.

4. FOUR AIR VIETNAM CREW MEMBERS STRANDED HERE ON LAST FLIGHT
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WHO DO NOT QUALIFY UNDER CURRENT GUIDELINES.

5. TWENTY-ONE VIETNAMESE SUGAR TECHNICIANS IN TAIWAN SINCE DECEMBER 1974 SO INELIGIBLE EVEN UNDER EXPANDED GUIDELINES.

6. FORTY VIETNAMESE AND FOURTEEN CAMBODIAN STUDENTS FORMERLY ON GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS. ALL HAVE BEEN HERE TOO LONG TO QUALIFY EVEN UNDER EXPANDED GUIDELINES.

7. TWO USAID EMPLOYEES FROM VIETNAM WITH THEIR FAMILIES (TOTAL OF SIX PEOPLE). THEY ARE CHINESE CITIZENS WITH CHINESE PASSPORTS BUT REQUEST PAROLE INTO US.

8. SIXTY-FOUR PEOPLE APPARENTLY ELIGIBLE ON BASIS OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS BUT WHO ARE PROBABLY DUAL NATIONALS WITH CLAIMS TO CHINESE CITIZENSHIP. DETERMINATION WILL BE MADE BY INTERVIEW.

9. EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT ALL TWELVE DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL AND THEIR FAMILIES, ALL OF WHOM HAVE REQUESTED PAROLE, BE GRANTED PERMISSION TO ENTER US. ALL HAVE AMERICAN CITIZEN OR PERMANENT RESIDENT RELATIVES (AUNTS, NEPHEWS, COUSINS, ETC.) OR SPONSORS. NONE OF THEM SPEAKS CHINESE AND EMBASSY BELIEVES THEY WOULD BE UNABLE TO SUPPORT THEMSELVES IN TAIWAN. ALMOST ALL SPEAK ENGLISH AND THEIR CHILDREN ATTEND ENGLISH-LANGUAGE SCHOOLS, PRIMARILY TAIPEI AMERICAN SCHOOL.

10. EMBASSY ALSO BELIEVES AIR VIETNAM CREWS, SUGAR TECHNICIANS, AND STUDENTS LISTED ABOVE, MOST OF WHOM SPEAK ENGLISH, COULD QUICKLY BECOME SELF-SUPPORTING IN US. THEY ALL FACE VERY CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTIES IN TAIWAN, PARTICULARLY SINCE THEIR SCHOLARSHIPS HAVE BEEN CUT OFF. EMBASSY THEREFORE RECOMMENDS THAT THEY BE AUTHORIZED PAROLE.

1. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH INTERPRETATION THAT DUAL CHINESE-INDOCHINESE NATIONALS CANNOT BE CONSIDERED REFUGEES AND APPRECIATES CONFIRMATION ON THIS POINT. IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS GUIDELINE, NEVER BEFORE CLEARLY STATED, ACCOUNTS FOR DIFFERENCE IN TOTALS FROM THOSE GIVEN BY PHONE. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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12. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION THAT PAROLE CAN BE EXTENDED TO VIETNAMESE AND CAMBODIANS AS DISCUSSED IN PARAS 9 AND 10 ABOVE. UNGER

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